

"Anoka County Court Administration and Justice Partners Celebrate Law Day 2012"

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Anoka, MN. April 20, 2012. Jennifer Schlieper, Anoka County Court Administrator cordially invites you to participate in our first Law Day Celebration on Tuesday afternoon, May 1<sup>st</sup>, between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Anoka County Court Administration is partnering with other criminal justice agencies in the county to provide resource tables with information and opportunities to ask questions about the role played by the various agencies in the administration of justice in Anoka County. Activities will include: Tours of a courtroom at 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm, as well as Question/Answer opportunities with a District Court Judge at 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, and 3:30 pm.

The 2012 Law Day theme, "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom," provides an excellent opportunity to affirm the importance of the courts and their role in ensuring access to justice for all Anoka County citizens. It further allows a closer look at the workings of the court system and its role in preserving citizens' rights.

The idea of a national Law Day was conceived in 1957 by American Bar Association President Charles Rhynes. In 1958 President Dwight D.Eisenhower, established the first Law Day, and in 1961 the U.S. Congress issued a joint resolution making May 1 the official Law Day. The public is encouraged to come out and help celebrate Law Day in Anoka County. As a reminder, the Anoka Courthouse has a security screening station, so please plan accordingly. For more information, contact Jo Ann Bennett (763-422-7359) or Sarah Lindahl-Pfieffer (763-422-7363).